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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Disarmament Agency Personnel Security

1. George Bunn, General Counsel of Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, has requested information on our security procedures in the personnel field. The purpose of the information is to draft a legislative proposal for presentation to Congress. Presently Section 45 a of the Arms Control and Disarmament Act PL 87-297; 75 Stat 631, calls for security standards of that agency to be equal to that of the strictest standards in Government.

2. His main concern at the moment is the security check to be given contracting employees. His agency is bound now by regulations calling for full field investigation by the FBI or Civil Service Commission. He would like to propose legislation calling for clearance which can be based on investigations of other agencies. In proposing this legislation he made it clear that he would not make any representations as to CIA's position or regulation. Rather his request is for information for use in drafting. I discussed this with Colonel Edwards and have asked Mr. Bunn to have his security officer contact Colonel Edwards or Bob Bannerman. Colonel Edwards said that there was no question of cooperation. I advised Mr. Bunn that we would be more than happy to give any assistance in drafting and would be available for consultation at any time.

3. Legislative history, Section 45 a, can be found on page 2919, United States Congressional and Administrative News, Volume 2, 87th Congress, 1st Session, 1961.

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